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MEMORANDUM FOR: Members of the Board of Editors, Studies in Intelligence  
SUBJECT : Committee Review of Studies

I assume that most members of the Board will want to continue the present arrangement insofar as it assures direct responsibility of the editor to the Board. Nevertheless, I believe there should be a close linkage with the Center whereby the Director of the Center has the right and obligation to offer suggestions to help meet our objectives and the editor has equivalent rights and obligations to consult fully and respond in good faith. In other words the relationship should be more than ad hoc, something between Options 3 and 4. The editor should be "charged" as proposed in Option 3, but the Center should be tasked -- if it is willing -- to provide assistance and support in forms described in both the [redacted] drafts. With good will on both sides, this should be feasible. This preserves the editorial responsibility of the Board and its editor, while accepting and welcoming the fact that -- in order to accomplish our objectives -- we need the institutional support and creative impulse that association with the Center should provide.

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